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**PART--I-- Orders and Notifications by the Government of Tripura,
The High Court, Government Treasury etc.**

**GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA
HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT**

No.F.1 (700-6)ESTT/FWPM/2018 (V-III)/13757 (V-1)

Dated, Agartala, the 18th June, 2021.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the power conferred by the proviso to article-309 of the Constitution of India and in supersession of the existing Recruitment Rules for the post mentioned herein, the Governor of Tripura is hereby pleased to make the following rules regulating the method of recruitment to the post of **Food Safety Officer** under the **Health & Family Welfare Department**, Government of Tripura, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement:-

- (a) These rules may be called "**Recruitment Rules, 2021**" for the post of **Food Safety Officer** under the Health & Family Welfare Department.
- (b) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. The name of the post(s) shall be as specified in Column-1 of the schedule annexed hereto.**3. Number, classification and scale of pay:-**

The number of the said post, its classification and the scale of pay attached hereto shall be as specified in Column 2 to 4 of the Schedule annexed hereto.

4. Method of recruitment, age limit, qualification etc.:

The method of recruitment to the said post, age limit, qualifications and other matters relating to the said post shall be as specified in columns 5 to 13 of the said schedule.

5. Disqualification:- No person,

- (a) Who has entered into or contract a marriage with a person having spouse living;

OR

- (b) Who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person, shall be eligible for appointment to the said post:-

Provided that the State Government may, if satisfied such marriage is permissible under the personnel law applicable to such person and the other party to the marriage and that there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rules.

6. Power to relax:-

Where the State Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient to do so, it may, by order for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax any of the provisions of these rules with a respect to any class or category of persons.

7. Saving:-

Nothing in these rules shall effect reservations, relaxation of age limit and other concessions required to be provided for the Schedule Castes, Schedule Tribes, Ex-Serviceman and other special categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the State Government from time to time in this regard.

8. Interpretation:-

If any question arises relating to the interpretation of these rules, it shall be referred to Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Tripura, whose decision thereon shall be final.

9. Repeal:-

Existing Recruitment Rules for the post of post of Food Safety Officer vide No.F.1(400-29)-ESTT/FWPM/2013 dated 15.01.2018 for the Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Tripura shall stand repealed.

By order the Governor,

(Smti Anima Debbarma)
Deputy Secretary to the
Government of Tripura

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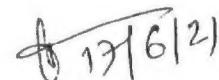
(All Departments/Heads of Departments)

SCHEDULE

**RECRUITMENT RULES (RR) FOR THE POST OF FOOD SAFETY OFFICER
UNDER THE HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA**

1.	Name of the post (s)	: - Food Safety Officer
2.	Number of post (s)	:- 23(proposed) plus additional posts as and when created.
3.	Classification	:-Group-B, Gazetted
4.	Scale of pay	:-Pay Matrix Level-13 under Tripura State Civil Services(Revised Pay) Rules, 2017 read with its amendment(s) subject to revision by the Government from time to time.
5.	Method of recruitment whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or transfer on deputation and percentage of the vacancies to be filled by various methods	<p>:(i)By direct recruitment through competitive examination to be conducted as per guidelines prescribed in the New Recruitment Policy issued vide Notification No.F.20(1)-GA (P&T) /18 dated 05.06.2018 and as revised from time to time.</p> <p>(ii)100% by direct recruitment through TPSC. 85% written test and 15% interview/ viva- voce method.</p> <p>(iii) Board Syllabus of the examination and Selection Procedure as Annexure- I</p>
6.	Age limit for direct recruitment	:-18 to 40 years. Upper age limit relaxable by 5 years in case of SC, ST, PH candidates and Govt. Servants.
7.	Educational qualification required for direct recruitment	<p>:(i).A degree in Food Technology or Diary Technology or Bio Technology or Oil Technology or Agricultural Science or Veterinary Sciences or Bio-Chemistry or Microbiology or Masters Degree in Chemistry or BUMS/BSMS/MBBS/ BAMS/ BHMS/BDS from a recognized University.</p> <p>Provided that no person who has any financial interest in the manufacture, import or sale of any article of food shall be appointed to be a Food Safety Officer under this rule.</p>

8.	Whether age and educational Qualifications prescribed for the direct recruitment will apply in case of promotion.	:- Not applicable
9.	Whether Selection post or Non-Selection post.	:- Selection Post.
10.	Period of probation, if any	:- 2 (two) years.
11.	In case of recruitment by Promotion/ transfer on deputation , grades from which promotion/ transfer on deputation is to be made.	:- Not applicable.
12.	If a D.P.C. exists, what is its composition	:- Group-B (D.P.C.)
13.	Circumstances in which T.P.S.C. is to be consulted in making recruitment.	:- As required under TPSC (Exemption from consultation) Regulation-1973
14.	Repeal	:-Existing Recruitment Rules for the post of Food Safety Officer vide No.F.1(400-29)-ESTT/FWPM/2013 dated 15.01. 2018 for the Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Tripura Shall stand repealed.



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Notes of the meeting for finalization of the Syllabus for Recruitment of the post of Food Safety Officer, held on 22nd December, 2020.

A meeting for finalization of the Syllabus for Recruitment of the post of Food Safety Officer, held on 22nd December, 2020 at 12:00 P.M in the office-chamber of the Chairman of the Committee, Asstt. Director of Family Welfare & P.M., Govt. of Tripura.

All the members decided to follow the Central Food Safety Officer syllabus for recruitment of the post of Food Safety Officer:-

POST: Food Safety Officer

1(one) mark would be given for each correct answer and 0.25 mark deducted for each wrong answer.
Note: The level of the paper will be consistent with the educational qualifications prescribed for the post.

A. Syllabus: Food Safety Officer (FSO).

PART A: General Aptitude and Computer Literacy - indicative syllabus.

Subject and Syllabus	Marks	Question Pattern MCQ
GENERAL APTITUDE		
<u>General Intelligence:</u> would include questions of both verbal and non-verbal type for e.g. Questions on analogies, similarities and differences, space visualization, problem solving, analysis, judgment, decision making, visual memory, discriminating observations, relationship concepts, arithmetical reasoning, verbal and figure classification, arithmetical number series, non-verbal series etc.	5	5 Questions
<u>General Awareness:</u> Questions to test the ability of the candidates General Awareness of the environment around him/her and its application to society. Also testing knowledge of currents events and matters of every day observation as may be expected of an educated person. The test will include questions relating to India and neighboring countries specially pertaining to History, Culture, Geography, Economic scene, General Polity including Indian Constitution, sports and scientific research etc. These questions will be such that they do not required a special study of any discipline	5	5 Questions
<u>English language Comprehension:</u> Would test the candidates understanding of the English language its vocabulary, grammar etc. Would include questions on comprehension, on word substitution, synonyms and antonyms, spelling error, spotting errors in sentences, grammar – noun, pronoun, adjectives, verbs, prepositions, conjunctions, use of 'a' 'an" and 'the', idioms and phrases etc.	5	5 Questions
COMPUTER LITERACY		
Candidate is expected to be able to handle all regular office work on computers. Knowledge of MS office (word, excel, powerpoint) including basic commands, Google Doc, emails, commonly use social media handles (Whatsapp, FB, Twitter etc). would be tested.	5	5 Questions

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PART B: Functional Knowledge- indicative syllabus.

Subject and Syllabus	Marks	Question Pattern MCQ
Indian and International Food Laws (An Overview)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food Safety and Standards Act of India, 2006: Provision, definitions and different sections of the Act and implementation. FSS Rules and Regulations Overview of other relevant national bodies (e.g. APEDA, BIS EIC, MPEDA, Spice Board etc.) International Food Control Systems/Laws, Regulations and Standards/Guidelines with regard to Food Safety – (i) Overview of CODEX Alimentarius Commission (History, Members, Standard setting and Advisory mechanisms: JECFA, JEMRA JMPR); WTO agreements (SPS/TBT): Important national and international accreditation bodies 	20	20 Questions
FSSAI - Role, Functions, Initiatives (A General Understanding)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Genesis and Evolution of FSSAI Structure and Functions of Food Authority Overview of systems and processes in Standards, Enforcement, Laboratory ecosystem, Imports, Third Party Audit etc. Promoting safe and wholesome Food (Eat Right India, Food Fortification, snf, Clean Street Food Hub, RUCO and various other social and behavioural change initiatives) Training and capacity building Role of State Food Authorities 	20	20 Questions
Subject Matter Knowledge	25	25 Questions
Principles of Food Preservation, Processing and Packaging		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food Processing Operations, Principles, Good Manufacturing Practices Overview of food preservation methods and their underlying principles including novel and emerging methods/principles Overview of food packaging methods and principles including novel packaging materials/techniques 		
Principles and Basics of Food Chemistry and their role in Human Nutrition		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Structure and functions of macro-and micro nutrients Role of macro and micronutrients in human nutrition Overview of food additives with respect to their technological functions Overview of anti-nutritional factors and their removal from foods Overview of enzymes as food processing aids Overview of nutraceuticals and functional foods Overview of food contaminants and adulterants and their effects on human health Food allergens and allergenicity Importance of diet in alleviating health risks, especially non-communicable diseases 		
Food Microbiology & General principles of Food Hygiene		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General principles of food microbiology and overview of food borne pathogens Overview of sources of microorganisms in food chain (raw materials, water, air, equipment etc.) and microbiological quality of foods Microbial food spoilage and Food borne diseases General principles and techniques in microbiological examination of foods 		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of beneficial microorganisms and their role in food processing and human nutrition • General principles of food safety management systems including traceability and recall – sanitation, HACCP, Good production and processing practices (GMP, GAP, GHP, GLP, BAP, etc) <p>General concepts of Food Analysis and Testing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fundamentals of field level and laboratory sampling with reference to importance of statistical tools. • Overview of basic/classical methods of food analysis • Overview of modern analytical techniques including mass spectrometry and molecular techniques. • Principles of Quality assurance and Quality control with reference to food analysis and testing. 		
Total	85	Marks

B. Selection Procedure

The selection is to be made to be Tripura Public Services Commission following two successive steps.

(1) Written Examination (General Study) = 85 Marks.

All questions are MCQ type.

There shall be a negative marks as per Tripura Public Service Commission norms.

Merit list will be prepared as per marks obtained by the candidates category wise

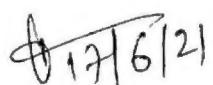
(2) Interview/personality test = 15 Marks.

The candidates are to be called for interview as per merit list prepared from written examination in the ratio 1: 5 for each part.

(3) Final merit list will be prepared by adding the written examination mark & marks obtained in the interview.

Candidates should appear in the interview for final selection.

Final Recommendation list will be prepared by the Tripura Public Service Commission norms.


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